GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
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MISUSE OF ISI CERTIFICATES
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether ISI certificates are being misused by traders/manufacturers;

(b) if so, the number of complaints of misuse of the certificates were received during each of the last three years; and

(c) the penalty imposed for the misuse of ISI certificates by traders/manufacturers?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD)

(a) : Some instances of misuse of Certification Mark (ISI) of the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) by traders/manufacturers have come to notice.

(b) : The year-wise details of number of complaints of misuse of the BIS certification mark registered by BIS are as follows:-

Year	Complaints Registered
1999-2000	51
2000-2001	41
2001-2002	36

(c) : BIS initiates legal proceedings in appropriate cases for misuse ofthe BIS Certification Mark and during the last three years 18 of the proceedings ended in convictions. Under the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 1986, fine upto Rs. 50000/-or imprisonment extending upto one year or both can be imposed for offences involving misuse of the BIS Certification Mark.